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April 1, 1992.

Donald H. Ford, Ph.D.
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Dear sir,

We are organizing an international neuropharmacology symposium in Guangzhou (Canton), China, November 9-11, 1992. This 3 days symposium will cover both clinical and basic research of neurological disorders: Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases, psychological imbalance, depression, stroke and epilepsy. These diseases cause untold suffering to hundreds of thousands (multitudes) of people, not just the patients but also the relatives and society. President Bush has declared the 90s to be the decade of the brain.

The International Neuropharmacology Symposium is to promote the neurochemistry in clinical applications. The objectives of the symposium are : 1. to enhance interchange of new findings in neuroscience between east and west; to arrange review lectures in selective neurological disorders that affect a large segment of the general public, presented by senior scientists to stimulate discussion and provide younger scientists the chance of interaction and hopefully collaboration between groups of related interests; 2. to integrate different perspectives for unifying understanding of neurodisorders and lessen the gap of clinical and basic science; 3. to promote understanding of eastern (traditional Chinese herbs) and western approaches in seeking relief of these devastating nervous system disorders; 4. to understand the biochemical changes in developing brain in which resulted in mental retardation or epilepsy in children; 5. and by understanding the developing brain may help to understand and prevent the decline of the central nervous system mechanism. A book of the original papers and discussions will be published and made available to the scientific community.

We wish to request a contribution to assist in supporting this unprecedent conference and to contribute to it's success. All contributors will be acknowledge in the publication.

The International Neuropharmacology Symposium will be sponsored by University of Minnesota, Dept. of Pharmacology and hosted by Dr. Sun Yat-sen Foundation and the Sun Yat-sen University of Medical Sciences. The symposium will also be in honor of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the father of China, who was a western trained physician before he

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engaged in overthrown the imperial system in China. This will be the centennial anniversary of Dr. Sun Yat-sen started to practice along side with the traditional Chinese doctors.

The Organizing Committee : Dr. Abel Lajtha; Dr. Horace Loh; Dr. Albert Yu, Steven Tang and Dr. Lily C. Tang (Chair)
The Local Committee : Dr. Hu Ben-rong; Dr. Liang Xiu-ling; Dr. Zhou Jiong-liang; Dr. Li Pu-er and Dr. Lu Guang-qi (Chair)

The tentative program are that : Dr. Barnard will discuss the gabaergic receptor; Dr. Woodruff will present findings on opiates; Dr. Riekkinen will review Alzheimer's disease; Dr. Meldrum and Dr. Honore will present overviews on excitatory amino acid; I, myself may bé Dr. Albert Sun discuss progress of Parkinson's disease; Dr. Catterall will review ion channels; Dr. Nurad will discuss cGMP and Dr. Lajtha will present the subject of his choice. There will be Chinese discussing traditional Chinese herbs in treating Parkinson's disease and dementia and other subjects. Still we have not gotten all the response from our invited scientists. There will be scientists from Japan, Singapore, Germany, French, Sweden , Italy, HongKong and Taiwan.

The conference will be held in the GITIC Plaza Hotel, the newly built 63 stories 5 stars hotel, which has all the conference facilities with audio-visual equipment. The hotel is located at 339 Huanshi Dong Lu, Guangzhou, China. Quangzhou (Canton) is two hour train ride north of HongKong. The weather in November is superb and is easy assess to scenic and cultural cities in China.

Any further information or clarification Please contact me at Tel: 301-427-5426 or FAX 301-427-6569. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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